1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA 3 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 4 Plaintiff, 5 VS. CRIMINAL ACTION NO. 6 1:19CR35 7 QUIONTE CRAWFORD, a.k.a., 8 Defendant. 9 10 Proceedings had in the PLEA HEARING of the 11 above-styled action on June 20, 2019, before the HONORABLE 12 MICHAEL J. ALOI, MAGISTRATE JUDGE, at Clarksburg, West 13 Virginia. 14 15 APPEARANCES: 16 FOR THE GOVERNMENT: DAVID A. PERRI 17 Assistant United States Attorney 18 Post Office Box 591 Wheeling, West Virginia 26003 19 20 FOR THE DEFENDANT: 21 MATTHEW DELLIGATTI 234 Adams Street - Suite 2 22 Fairmont, West Virginia 26554 2.3 The Defendant was present in person. 24 Proceedings recorded utilizing realtime translation. Transcript produced by computer-aided transcription. 25 Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 304.623.7154

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1 PROCEEDINGS 2 (Thursday, June 20, 2019, at 1:01 P.M., the defendant is 3 present.) 4 THE COURT: If the clerk would please call the next 5 case. 6 THE CLERK: This is the matter of United States of 7 America versus Quionte Crawford, a.k.a. Kayla Stevens, a.k.a. 8 Quionte Jordan Crawford, case number 1:19CR35. The defendant 9 is present in person. This matter comes on for an initial 10 appearance on an Information, arraignment, and plea hearing. 11 Will counsel please note their appearance for the 12 record. 13 MR. PERRI: David Perri, for the United States. 14 MR. DELLIGATTI: Matt Delligatti, for the defendant. 15 THE COURT: Thank you, counsel. 16 Mr. Crawford, we're here today for an initial 17 appearance, an arraignment, and then also a plea to an 18 Information that's been filed against you in this matter. 19 So, Mr. Crawford, can you read, write, and understand 20 English? 21 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 22 Now, Mr. Crawford, my name is Michael THE COURT: 23 John Aloi; I am a United States Magistrate Judge, here for the 24 Northern District of West Virginia. 25 At this time, I would ask the clerk to please swear Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 304.623.7154

1 in Mr. Crawford. 2 (QUIONTE CRAWFORD, THE DEFENDANT, WAS SWORN.) 3 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, are you citizen of the United States? 4 5 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 6 THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, you are charged in Counts 1 7 through 5 of an Information with enticement of a minor. 8 Crawford, do you have that Information in front of you? 9 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 10 THE COURT: Now, I'm going to go over it with you. 11 Count 1 charges you with enticement of a minor, and it indicates that in or about May 2018, in Marion County, in the 12 13 Northern District of West Virginia, that you, Mr. Crawford --14 how do you say your first name, by the way? 15 THE DEFENDANT: Quionte. THE COURT: Quionte? 16 17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 18 THE COURT: Okay. So it indicates you, Mr. Crawford, 19 did knowingly use a facility and means of interstate commerce 20 to persuade, induce, and entice an individual, who had not 21 attained the age of 18, to engage in sexual activity for which 22 any person could be charged with a criminal offense. You did 23 so -- you did knowingly use your smart phone to -- and the 24 Internet to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual 25 who you knew to be a minor, and who was designated as John Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC

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Doe-1, a 14-year-old boy, to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing images and videos of such conduct, and that -- for which you, Mr. Crawford, could be charged with a criminal offense, that being sexual exploitation of children, in violation of the law.

Now, Count 2, Mr. Crawford, also charges you with enticement of a minor, and this indicates that on or about November 2017, in Marion County, in the Northern District of West Virginia, that you, Mr. Crawford, did knowingly use a facility and a means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, entice an individual, who did -- had not attained the age of 18, to engage in any sexual activity, for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense, which is to say that you knowingly used your smartphone and Internet to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual, who you knew was a minor, and who was designated herein as John Doe-2, a 15-year-old boy, to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing images and videos of such conduct for which you, Mr. Crawford, could be charged with a criminal offense, that being sexual exploitation of children, in violation of the law.

Count 3, Mr. Crawford, charges you with enticement of a minor. This indicates from on or about December 2017, to on or about January 2018, Marion County, which is in the Northern District of West Virginia, that you, Mr. Crawford, did

knowingly use a facility and means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, and entice an individual who had not attained the age of 18 years to engage in sexual activity, for -- which any person could be charged with a criminal offense, which is to say that you knowingly used your smartphone and Internet to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual, who you knew was minor, and who was designated as John Doe-3, a 15-year-old boy, to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing images and videos of such conduct, for which you could be charged with a criminal offense, that being sexual exploitation of children, in violation of the law.

Now, Count 4, Mr. Crawford, charges you with enticement of a minor. This indicates that from on or about March 2018, to in or about April 2018, in Marion County, in the Northern District of West Virginia, that you, Mr. Crawford, did knowingly use a facility and means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, and entice an individual, who had not attained the age of 18 years, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense. That is that you knowingly used your smartphone and Internet to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual, who you knew to be a minor, and who is designated as John Doe-4, a 15-year-old boy, to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing images and videos of such conduct, for which you, Mr. Crawford, could be charged with a criminal

offense, to-wit: sexual exploitation of children, in violation of the law.

Now, Count 5, Mr. Crawford, charges you with enticement of a minor. And this indicates that on or about December 2018, in Marion County, in the Northern District of West Virginia, that you, Mr. Crawford, did knowingly use a facility and means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, and entice an individual, who had not attained the age of 18 years, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense, that is to say you used your smartphone and Internet to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual who you knew was a minor, and who is designated as John Doe-5, a 15-year-old boy, to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing images and videos of such conduct for which you, Mr. Crawford, could be charged with a criminal offense, and that being sexual exploitation of children.

All five counts, Mr. Crawford, are violations of the same law, that being sexual exploitation of children, Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 2255(a).

Now, Mr. Crawford, the maximum penalty for the violation of -- for this -- for the counts, and it would be for each one -- is imprisonment of not less than 10 years, or life in prison; a fine of \$250,000, and a term of 5 years or lifetime supervised release.

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So is -- Mr. Perri, is that a mandatory minimum of 10
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     years -- is that correct?
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               MR. PERRI:
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               THE COURT:
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               What that means, Mr. Crawford, is that there is a
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     mandatory minimum of incarceration of not less than 10 years.
     It could be to life, depending on how the judge sentences.
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                Now, Mr. Crawford, have you had an opportunity to
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     review this Information that I have just gone over with you?
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     Have you had the opportunity to review it with your attorney,
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     Mr. Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, would you like for me
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     to read it again to you, or you --
               THE DEFENDANT: No, sir, I --
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                           -- agree to waive --
               THE COURT:
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               THE DEFENDANT: I understand.
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               THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.
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               Now, Mr. Delligatti, it is my understanding Mr.
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     Crawford desires to plead guilty to the charges contained in
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     Counts 1 through 5 of the Information; is that correct?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI:
                                That is correct, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, do you understand that
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     you are under oath, you've taken an oath early on?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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THE COURT: And if you answer any of my questions
falsely, your answers may later be used against you in another
prosecution for perjury or for making a false statement?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, do you understand that
if you lie, it may result in a higher sentence for you?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, during the course of
this hearing, I will be asking you several questions. At any
point, you should feel free to ask questions, ask for an
explanation if you do not understand any of my questions, or
ask me to pause the proceedings so that you may have the
opportunity to discuss the matter with your attorney before
answering the question; do you understand that?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Would you state your full name for the
record, please?
          THE DEFENDANT: Ouionte Jordan Crawford.
                     And, Mr. Crawford, how old are you?
          THE COURT:
          THE DEFENDANT: I am 27.
          THE COURT: How much education have you had?
                         High school; a little bit of college.
          THE DEFENDANT:
          THE COURT:
                     Okay. So you can you read, write, and
understand English?
                         Yes.
          THE DEFENDANT:
                                Yes, sir.
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THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, have you recently been 1 2 under the care of a doctor, psychiatrist, or other medical 3 professional for any serious physical or mental illness, including addiction to drugs or alcohol? 4 5 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 6 Now, are you currently using any form of THE COURT: 7 controlled substance, or any medication, or alcohol, that might 8 affect your ability to understand this proceeding? 9 THE DEFENDANT: No. All I take is insulin. 10 it. 11 THE COURT: Okay. 12 So, Mr. Delligatti, do you have any reason to 13 question the competence of your client, Mr. Crawford? 14 MR. DELLIGATTI: No, Your Honor. 15 THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, are you here today to enter 16 a guilty plea as part of a written Plea Agreement? 17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 18 THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, I find that you are 19 competent and capable of entering an informed plea. 20 Now, Mr. Crawford, I am a United States Magistrate 21 You're charged with a felony in this matter. As such, 22 you have a right to have this plea taken by an Article III 23 Judge, sometimes called a District Judge. And in this Court, 24 for you, that would be Judge Kleeh. And he would also be your 25 sentencing judge. Now, only you can give up that right, and I Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC

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can only hear your plea if you agree to it by signing a waiver.
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     Do you understand that, Mr. Crawford?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
               THE COURT: Now, -- and have you discussed that with
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     your attorney, Mr. Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, I have presented you
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     and Mr. Delligatti with a written waiver. I would ask that you
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     read it before you sign it, --
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               THE DEFENDANT: Okay.
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               THE COURT: -- because I'll ask you if you read it.
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     And if you have any questions, please ask Mr. Delligatti. If
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     it meets with your approval, you may sign the same, and we'll
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     continue.
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               Thank you, Mr. Perri.
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               Now, Mr. Crawford, I do have the original Waiver of
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     Article III Judge and Consent to Enter a Guilty Plea Before a
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     U.S. Magistrate Judge. Did you sign the Waiver and Consent,
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     Mr. Crawford?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I did.
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                           Did you read it before you signed it?
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                               Yes, I did.
               THE DEFENDANT:
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               THE COURT: Did you discuss it with your, lawyer, Mr.
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     Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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THE COURT: Did anyone force you to sign it? 1 2 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 3 THE COURT: Do you have any questions about it? 4 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 5 THE COURT: And, Mr. Delligatti, is it your 6 understanding that your client does agree to the waiver? 7 MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, Your Honor. 8 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, I'm going to find that 9 you entered into the Waiver and Consent knowingly and 10 voluntarily, and I'm going to order that it be filed herein, 11 and we'll continue. 12 I will note the signature of your attorney, Mr. 13 Delligatti, as well as the concurrence of the Government, by 14 its Assistant U.S. Attorney, Mr. Perri. 15 Mr. Crawford, do you understand that you have a right 16 to be represented by counsel at every stage of these 17 proceedings against you, including sentencing, and that if you 18 cannot afford an attorney, you have the right to have one 19 appointed to represent you? 20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 21 THE COURT: Mr. Crawford --22 And, Mr. Delligatti, do you, or any member of your 23 office or firm, represent anyone, including codefendants, who 24 might be interested in the outcome of this matter? 25 MR. DELLIGATTI: No, Your Honor. Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC

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THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, do you believe that
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     you have had adequate time to discuss your case fully with your
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     attorney, Mr. Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Has Mr. Delligatti been able to answer
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     your questions about how best to proceed in this case?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And is there anything that your lawyer
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     has not done which you've asked him to do?
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               THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.
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               THE COURT:
                           Are you completely satisfied with the
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     legal advice that you have received from Mr. Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, Mr. Delligatti, during the time that
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     you've represented Mr. Crawford, has Mr. Crawford been
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     cooperative with you?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Absolutely, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: And have you had adequate time to
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     discover the Government's case?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, I have, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Have you had adequate time to discover --
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     I'm sorry. Have you had adequate time to consider possible
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     defenses?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: And, Mr. Delligatti, do you know of any
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     viable defense to the charge in Counts 1 through 5 of the
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     Information?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: No, Your Honor.
               THE COURT: Now, Mr. Delligatti, have you had
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     adequate time to consider possible sentences?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, I have, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: And have you discussed all of these
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     issues with your client, Mr. Crawford?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: I have, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, the Government has
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     brought the charges against you in an Information, not an
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     Indictment. Have you received a copy of the Information filed
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     against you?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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                          And you've had the opportunity to read
               THE COURT:
     it; is that correct?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Have you had the opportunity to review it
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     with Mr. Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Would you like for us to go over that
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            Are you satisfied you understand?
     again?
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               THE DEFENDANT: I understand, sir.
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               THE COURT: Okay. Now, you're pleading guilty to
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     Counts 1 through 5 of the Information, and each count charges
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you with a separate offense of enticement of a minor. So, Mr. Crawford, do you understand that you have a right to be charged by a grand jury Indictment, because what you're pleading to, they're all felonies. Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: So do you understand for a felony, you have a right to be charged by a grand jury Indictment, but you can waive or give up that right and consent and agree to being charged by an information? And, again, that's the document you have in front of you, which is filed by the U.S. Attorney. Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you understand that unless you waive your right to an Indictment, the Government must present its case to the grand jury and ask the grand jury to indict you?

Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: And do you understand that unless you waive your right to an Indictment, you may not be charged with a felony, unless a grand jury finds, by return of an Indictment, that there is probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed, and that you committed it. Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you understand that a grand jury is

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composed of at least 16, but -- and not more than 23 persons,
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     and that at least 12 grand jurors must find that there is
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     probable cause to believe that you committed the crimes with
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     which you have been charged before you can be indicted? Do you
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     understand that?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, do you understand, Mr. Crawford,
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     that the grand jury might or might not indict you?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Do you -- now, Mr. Crawford, have you
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     discussed the matter of waiving your right to a grand jury
     Indictment with your attorney, Mr. Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I have.
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               THE COURT: Do you understand your right to a grand
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     jury Indictment in this matter?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Have any threats or promises been made to
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     you, to induce you or convince you, or talk you into waiving
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     your right to an Indictment?
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               THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Delligatti, do you see any reason why
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     Mr. Crawford should not waive his right to an Indictment?
               MR. DELLIGATTI: No, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, do you wish to waive your
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     right to a grand jury Indictment and proceed by Information in
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1 this matter? 2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 3 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, the Court has provided 4 you and your attorney with a waiver of your right to an 5 Indictment in this matter. I want you to read it before you 6 sign it, and if it meets with your approval, you may do so, and 7 we'll continue. 8 MR. DELLIGATTI: May I approach, Your Honor? 9 THE COURT: Yes, you may. 10 MR. DELLIGATTI: Thank you, Mr. Delligatti. 11 Now, Mr. Crawford, I have the original waiver of the 12 Indictment; did you sign the waiver, Mr. Crawford? 13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 14 THE COURT: Did you read it before you signed it? 15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. Did you discuss it with your attorney? 16 THE COURT: 17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 18 THE COURT: Do you have any questions about it? 19 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 20 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Crawford, I am going to accept 21 your Waiver of Indictment as being knowingly and voluntarily 22 entered into, and I will order that it be filed herein. Now, Mr. Delligatti, is there a proposed plea 23 24 agreement in this case? 25 MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, there is, Your Honor. Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 304.623.7154

THE COURT: Mr. Perri, would you please summarize the contents of that agreement for the Court?

MR. PERRI: Yes, Your Honor. Paragraph 1 indicates that the defendant, Mr. Crawford, will waive his right to have his case presented to a federal grand jury, and plead guilty to Count 1, Count 2, Count 3, Count 4, and Count 5 of the Information filed in this District, charging him with enticement of a minor, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b).

Paragraph 2 sets forth the maximum penalties to which the defendant will be exposed by virtue of his plea of guilty. The maximum penalty for Count 1, Count 2, Count 3, Count 4, and Count 5, to which the defendant will be exposed, is imprisonment for a period of not less than 10 years or life imprisonment; a fine of \$250,000; a term of 5 years or lifetime supervised release.

It's further understood by the defendant that there is a special mandatory assessment of \$100 per count, which must be paid. And the defendant is also aware that unless he's determined to be indigent, he will be required to pay an additional special assessment of \$5,000, pursuant to The Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act.

Finally, the defendant understands that he may be required by the Court to pay the cost of his incarceration, supervision, or probation.

Paragraph 3 indicates that the defendant will be forthright and truthful with regard to any and all inquiries made of him; that he will provide signed, sworn statements; that he will provide grand jury and trial testimony, if requested; and that he will submit to a polygraph examination, if requested by the United States Attorney's Office.

This -- the next paragraph, Paragraph 4, contains the standard use immunity language typically found in our plea agreements, and it pertains to the defendant's obligation to cooperate, as set forth in Paragraph Number 3.

Paragraph 5 says that at final disposition, the United States will advise the Court of the defendant's forthrightness and truthfulness, or lack thereof.

Paragraph 6 says that there have been no representations whatsoever by any agent or employee of the United States, or any other law enforcement agency, or defense counsel as to what the final disposition in this matter should and will be. The agreement includes nonbinding recommendations by the United States; however, the defendant understands that the Court is not bound by these recommendations, and that he will not have the right to withdraw his plea if the Court chooses not to follow them.

Paragraph 7 sets forth the nonbinding recommendations that the United States is prepared to make in this case. In order to have been eligible for these recommendations, the

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defendant had to submit a signed, executed plea agreement by a
certain date. That date was orally extended by myself, Your
Honor. So Mr. Delligatti has taken the liberty of changing the
date that appears in the original to May 24th, and that's fine.
I'll initial that as well.
          THE COURT: Did Mr. Delligatti and his client initial
it?
         MR. PERRI:
                     Yes, they did.
          THE COURT:
                     Okay. Thank you.
          MR. PERRI: So -- but, as I explained to Mr.
Delligatti, I typically say on the record that I consider the
plea agreement to have been submitted in a timely fashion --
          THE COURT:
                     Okay.
          MR. PERRI: -- even if the original date hasn't been
changed.
          THE COURT:
                     Okay.
                             Thank you.
          MR. PERRI:
                     So the -- I would note for the record
that the Plea Agreement was signed and returned in a timely
fashion.
          And Paragraph 8 indicates that if, in the opinion of
the United States, the defendant engages in obstructive
conduct, fails to cooperate, as promised, or fails to abide by
any other provision of this plea agreement, the United States
will not be bound to make the foregoing recommendations, and
the defendant will not have the right to withdraw his plea.
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Paragraph 9 sets forth the stipulations of the parties as to relevant conduct in this case. The parties understand that the Court is not bound by these stipulations, and is not required to accept the same. The defendant understands and agrees that should the Court not accept the stipulations, he will not have the right to withdraw his guilty plea.

Paragraph 10 addresses the defendant's appellate and post-conviction relief rights. This paragraph contains the standard appellate waiver typically found in our plea agreements. As to his 2255 habeas corpus rights, it is a limited waiver.

Paragraph 11 indicates the United States' reservation of the right to provide the Court and the probation office, in connection with the presentence investigation, or in connection with the sentencing hearing itself, any information, to respond to any questions raised by the Court, correct any inaccuracies or inadequacies in the anticipated presentence investigation report, and respond to any written or oral statements made by the Court, the defendant, or his counsel.

Paragraph 12 addresses the collection of any monetary penalties that may be imposed by the Court.

Paragraph 13 indicates the defendant's understanding that the guidelines are now advisory and no longer mandatory.

Paragraph 14 indicates the defendant's understanding

that he may be required to pay restitution to any or all of the victims to counts of the Information, in an amount to be determined at sentencing.

Paragraph 15 addresses the defendant's voluntary forfeiture of the computer equipment that was involved in the commission of the offense.

And Paragraph 16 says that if the defendant's plea is not accepted by the Court, or if it's later set aside, or if he breaches any part of the plea agreement, the United States Attorney's Office will have the right to withdraw any sentencing recommendations and/or void the agreement.

Paragraph 17 says that the defendant has been advised and understands that he will be required to register as a sex offender, pursuant to the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act.

Paragraph 18 says that the above 17 paragraphs constitute the entire agreement between the defendant and the United States of America in this matter. There are no agreements, understandings, or promises between the parties, other than what's contained in this agreement.

Your Honor, I just signed the original plea agreement, and I will tender it to the clerk.

THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

Now, Mr. Perri, is what you just shared with the Court, is that the entire agreement between the Government and

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     the defendant in this matter?
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                           It is, Your Honor.
               MR. PERRI:
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               THE COURT:
                          And, Mr. Delligatti, is the summary given
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     by Mr. Perri, is that a fair summary of the entire agreement?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, it is, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Perri, were there any other written
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     offers made to Mr. Crawford in this matter?
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               MR. PERRI:
                          No, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT:
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               Is that correct, Mr. Delligatti?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, Your Honor, that's correct.
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               Now, Mr. Crawford, I watched, and I noted that you
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     were following the plea agreement as Mr. Perri was going over
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     it. But do you understand what this plea agreement does?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Do you understand what the plea agreement
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     requires of you?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Do you have any questions, Mr. Crawford,
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     at this time about the plea agreement?
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                               No, sir.
               THE DEFENDANT:
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               THE COURT: And the reason I say, "at this time," Mr.
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     Crawford, is that I'm going to continue to go over some parts
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     of the plea agreement, and, certainly, if you have a question
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     about anything that I ask, you're welcome to ask that question
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     or talk with your lawyer before answering the question; do you
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     understand that?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, I am a showing you the
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     original plea agreement. The plea agreement has seven pages to
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     it. And, Mr. Crawford, is that your signature --
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: -- at the bottom of each page of the plea
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               THE DEFENDANT:
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               THE COURT: All seven pages?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, did you read the
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     paragraphs on the page before you signed the bottom of the
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     page, and before you reached the agreement --
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
               THE COURT: -- with the Government?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, do feel that you had
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     adequate time, all the time that you needed, to discuss this
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     plea agreement with your attorney, Mr. Delligatti?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: It's now been about a month since you've
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     signed it, have any questions come up in your mind between then
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and now that haven't been answered about the plea agreement? 1 2 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. If I had any questions, I 3 contacted my lawyer, and he explained them to me. 4 THE COURT: Okay. So -- and that would have been my 5 next question. If you had questions, was your -- was your 6 lawyer able to answer those in a way that was satisfactory and 7 made sense to you? 8 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 9 THE COURT: One other thing -- it has been noted on 10 the record, but I do just want to point out to you, on page 3 11 of the plea agreement, you'll see where the date for acceptance -- this would be under Paragraph 7b, and that's on the top of 12 13 the page -- that the date of acceptance was corrected from May 14 17th to May 24th; is that correct? 15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. And did you initial that? 16 THE COURT: 17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: You're agreeable to that? 18 19 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 20 THE COURT: Okay. Now, Mr. Crawford, this plea 21 agreement contains certain recommendations and stipulations. 22 Do you understand that the Court, the sentencing Court, that 23 being Judge Kleeh, must defer his decision to accept or reject 24 the recommendations and stipulations in this plea agreement 25 till he's had an opportunity to consider a presentence

investigation report that will be prepared by probation in this matter. Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you understand that the terms of a plea agreement are merely recommendations to the Court, and that the Court can reject the recommendations and stipulations, and if it does so, you will not be allowed to withdraw your plea of guilty? Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Now, do understand that under a concept known as "relevant conduct," that the Court may take into account any conduct, circumstances, and injuries relevant to the crimes to which you plead guilty?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you understand that under the terms of this plea agreement, Mr. Crawford, that you and the Government have stipulated and agreed that from on or about November of 2017, to in, or on or about July of 2018, that you, Mr. Crawford, did knowingly use the Internet and a smartphone to persuade, coerce, induce, and entice multiple teenage boys under the age of 18 to engage in sexual activity, for which you could be charged, and to produce and transmit child pornography? Do you understand that you've stipulated and agreed to that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

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THE COURT: Do you understand that the Court is not bound by this stipulation, and the Court -- and if the Court does not accept the stipulation, you do not have the right to withdraw your guilty plea? You understand that? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: Now, does the written plea agreement represent the complete agreement between you and the Government? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, is there anything that you and the Government have agreed to that is not in the plea agreement? THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, do you want me to accept the plea agreement? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, I find that you understand and agree with the terms contained in the plea agreement, and I order that the original be filed herein and made a part of the record in this case. Now, Mr. Crawford, again, you've been charged in Counts 1 through 5, all with the same offense for different dates and different individuals. You've been charged with enticement of a minor. So, Mr. Crawford, how do you plead to the charges contained in Counts 1 through 5 of the Information,

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all of which are enticement of a minor, guilty or not guilty?

THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.

THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, before I accept your plea, I want to make sure that there is a factual basis for your plea, that you understand the nature of the charge against you, and the consequences of your pleading guilty to the charge; that you understand the constitutional and other legal rights that you will give up by pleading guilty, and that you are pleading guilty voluntarily.

So, Mr. Crawford, you're charged in Counts 1 through 5 with enticement of a minor. This is in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 2242(b), which provides, in pertinent part, that whoever, using the mail, or any facility or means of interstate or foreign commerce, knowingly persuades, induces, entices, or coerces any individual who has not attained the age of 18 years, to engage in prostitution, or any sexual activity for which any person can been charged with a criminal offense, or attempts to do so. So do you understand this statute under which you've been charged, Mr. Crawford?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: And, again, it's the same statute for Counts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Information.

So, Mr. Crawford, if the Government had to go to trial in this case, the Government would have to prove the following elements of Title 18 -- I might have said the number

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incorrectly before -- it's Section 2422(b) -- against you
beyond a reasonable doubt. And those elements are as follows:
That you used a facility or means of interstate commerce;
second, that you persuaded, induced, or enticed an individual
under the age of 18 to engage in any sexual activity for which
any person could be charged with a criminal offense. And,
again, when they talk about "used a facility," that was the
smartphone, and the Internet. And that you did this conduct
knowingly.
          So do you understand the elements of the statute
under which you've been charged, Mr. Crawford?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Now, considering the statute and the
elements of the offense, do you consider yourself to be guilty
of enticement of a minor -- enticement of a minor, as alleged
in Counts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Indictment?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: I'm sorry, the Information.
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes. Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Okay.
          Now, Mr. Perri, do you intend to make a proffer, or
do you intend to call a witness to establish a factual basis?
          MR. PERRI: Your Honor, our case investigator,
Lieutenant Gary Weaver, is here, and I would like to put him on
to lay the factual basis.
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THE COURT: Okay. 1 2 Lieutenant, you may come forward, please. 3 And if the clerk would please swear in the 4 Lieutenant. 5 (LIEUTENANT GARY WEAVER WAS SWORN.) 6 THE COURT: Mr. Weaver, or Mr. Perri, before you 7 start to ask questions, I just want to explain something to Mr. 8 Crawford. 9 Mr. Crawford, the Government is required to establish a factual basis for what you're being charged with, and what 10 11 you're pleading guilty to. Now, they're going to -- they're 12 going to do that through the testimony of this witness. 13 you to listen to what he has to say, because when he's 14 finished, I will ask your attorney if he has any questions. 15 will ask you if you have any questions. In addition, I will ask you that -- I'll ask you is 16 17 what Mr. -- what the Lieutenant testified, I'll ask you if it's 18

In addition, I will ask you that -- I'll ask you is what Mr. -- what the Lieutenant testified, I'll ask you if it's substantially correct, and I will also ask you is what the Lieutenant testified, does it accurately reflect your involvement in what occurred; does that make sense to you?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

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THE COURT: In addition -- so I want you to listen to in that way -- in addition, I will ask you to tell me, in your own words, what makes you guilty of committing the offense of enticement of a minor, as set forth in these counts.

So with that, -- so do you have any questions about that process?

THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

THE COURT: Okay.

Mr. Perri, you may continue.

MR. PERRI: Thank you, Your Honor.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

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- 9 Q. Sir, would you please state your name for the record?
- 10 A. Lieutenant Gary Weaver.
- 11 Q. Where do you work?
- 12 A. The Bridgeport Police Department.
- 13 Q. And are you assigned to any particular special units, or
- 14 do you have any special designations?
- 15 ■ A. Yes, I work for the -- I'm deputized with the FBI's Crimes
- 16 | Against Children Task Force in the Northern District, and also
- 17 | with the West Virginia State Police Internet Crimes Against
- 18 Children Task Force.
- 19 Q. And how long have you been working child exploitation
- 20 cases?
- 21 A. Since 2010, so a little over nine years.
- 22 Q. Okay. And you also conduct online investigations as well?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. All right. And through your employment, did you have the
- 25 \parallel opportunity to investigate the alleged illegal conduct of the
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- 1 defendant, Quionte Crawford?
 - A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 3 | Q. Were you, in fact, the case investigator for this matter?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.

- 5 \blacksquare Q. All right. Could you please tell us how the defendant's
- 6 conduct came to the attention of law enforcement. And then I
- 7 | would like you to explain the nature of the conduct, as it
- 8 pertains to the different victims and the different counts.
- 9 A. Yes, sir. In June of 2018, a report was taken from, well,
- John Doe Number 1, which was a 14-year-old male, concerning
- 11 | Quionte Crawford. John Doe Number 1 advised that he was
- 12 familiar with the defendant from sports activity, and that the
- 13 defendant had been messaging him over a social media app called
- 14 | Snapchat. That's an application that's used on smartphones and
- 15 social media platforms through the Internet.
- During the messages, Q. sent pictures -- Q., which is
- 17 \parallel -- Quionte is -- all the victims knew him as Q., and that's
- 18 ■ what they referred to him as -- sent pictures of his erect
- 19 penis, and requested for John Doe Number 1 to send pictures of
- 20 \blacksquare his penis, and masturbation videos of himself to the defendant.
- 21 Number 1 -- John Doe Number 1 did send the images via Snapchat
- 22 to the defendant. The defendant did know that John Doe
- 23 Number 1 was under the age of 18. These facts were confirmed
- 24 through an interview with the John Doe Number 1, who, like I
- 25 said at the time, was age 14. John Doe Number 1 told me that

the defendant stated if he did not send pictures -- if John Doe Number 1 did not send pictures to the defendant, that the defendant would tell John Doe Number 1's parents that he was doing things, and try to get him in trouble.

Then I did an interview with the defendant, Mr.

Crawford. He admitted that he knew John Doe Number 1 and -- he was under the age of 18, and that he had sent naked pictures to John Doe Number 1.

A search warrant was also served on the defendant at the same time for a cell phone and for the data contained on the phone. A forensic exam was conducted on the phone, and data was reviewed. Upon review of the data, several conversations on the social media app called Kik, which, again is an application that's used on cell phones and works through the Internet; they're based out of Canada. Found -- also found were several images on the phone of male subjects in photos and videos of the subjects showing their penises and/or masturbating. Some of the photos were then matched up with the conversations that were found on the social media app, Kik. The conversations showed the user on Mr. Crawford's phone was using the screen name of Kayla Stevens, which the screen name was also Stevenson3442; that was on Kik. And that Kayla Stevens had been conversing with the victims.

One of the conversations from Kayla Stevens was to

John Doe Number 2. During the conversations, John Doe Number 2

stated that he was 16. During the conversations, Kayla requested photos of John Doe Number 2 showing his penis and masturbating.

An interview then was set up with the John Doe Number 2, and he admitted that he knew Mr. Crawford, knew him as Q. He knew him through baseball, and through his family, and that he did converse with Kayla on the Kik app, and sent videos of himself masturbating, and of his erect penis, to Kayla. This occured while John Doe Number 2 was 15 years of age.

The images that were found on Mr. Crawford's phone in relation to John Doe Number 2 were then shown to John Doe Number 2, and he was able to identify that those photos were of himself, and that they were the ones that were sent to the -- Kayla Stevens.

Another conversation was with John Doe Number 3, was found on the Kik application. The conversations were between John Doe Number 3, and, again, through Kayla Stevens. During the conversations, Kayla requested naked pictures of John Doe Number 3, and were sent -- Kayla was sent photos of John Doe Number 3's penis.

An interview was conducted with John Doe Number 3, and he admitted that he knew Mr. Crawford, and that Mr. Crawford had stated he knew Kayla Stevens and would put her in contact with him, and that's how Kayla Stevens became in contact with John Doe Number 3. It was later found out that,

again, Kayla was actually -- was Mr. Crawford.

Shortly after this, the conversations started between Kayla and John Doe Number 3. John Doe Number 3 stated that Mr. Crawford knew that he was under the age of 18, and that John Doe Number 3 was able to identify the photos and the images that were found during the conversations as himself, and that they were the naked photos.

Another conversation was found on the phone with John Doe Number 4. The conversations were between John Doe Number 4 and Kayla Stevens, again on the social media app, Kik. During the conversations, Kayla requested naked pictures and videos of John Doe Number 4 -- Number 4's penis, and masturbating.

An interview was then conducted with John Doe

Number 4, and he admitted that he had conversations with Kayla

Stevens, and that she had requested photos and videos of his

penis and masturbating, and that John Doe Number 4 did send

such images to Kayla. John Doe Number 4 identified the images

found on the phone as himself, and that they were the ones that

had been sent to Kayla. John Doe Number 4 stated that he sent

the images because Kayla stated that she would meet and have

sex with him if he sent images, but they never did -- never did

meet. Also, in this conversation, Kayla would tell him that if

you don't send the pictures, we're not going to meet, and all

this. The subject, at that time, was the age of 15 when all

this occurred.

John Doe Number 4 was asked if he knew the defendant, and he stated that yes, he was a friend of his family, and the defendant did know he was under the age of 18. Again, John Doe Number 4 stated he was 15 at the time of the conversations.

Another conversation was found on the phone was with John Doe Number 5. These conversations, again, were on the social media application of Kik. The conversations were between John Doe Number 5 and Kayla Stevens. The conversations appeared that John Doe Number 5 knew Kayla was the defendant, Mr. Crawford, as he made references during some of the conversations, hey, big guy, and things like that. During the conversations, the defendant requested naked pictures of John Doe Number 5's penis.

An interview was conducted with John Doe Number 5, and he stated that yes, he did have conversations with the defendant, and he knew the defendant was using the Kik screen name of Kayla Stevens. He stated that Kayla had requested John Doe Number 5 to send naked pictures to him. John Doe Number 5 observed the images found on the cell phone, and identified the naked images as himself, and they were the ones the defendant had requested. John Doe Number 5 stated that he knew the defendant, and that the defendant knew that he was under the age of 18, and that the encounters first started with the defendant when he was roughly around the age of 15. The conversations found on the Kik application occurred between the

fall of 2017, and the late spring, early summer of 2018.

All victims stated that they knew the defendant socially, and that the defendant knew that they were under the age of 18 during the stated incidents. All the incidents occurred over the social media applications of Snapchat and Kik, and these were done over the defendant's smartphone, and the Internet.

The defendant used different methods of obtaining these pictures from the victims. Victims number 2, 3, and 4, the defendant would request naked pictures of minors, as a female -- acting as a female in exchange for sexual favors, and the real-world meetings, or naked pictures, which is a common method, and it's part of a common practice we know as grooming.

Victims Number 1 and 5, the defendant would use threats of telling others, or telling parents, and stuff, of what was going on, and things like that, that would get them in trouble, to be able to obtain the pictures from them.

- Q. Okay. So to be clear, the -- this defendant knew all five of the victims personally?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.

- Q. He knew them in the real world because of sporting activities, and things like that?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 Q. Okay. So he actually knew what their actual ages were?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.
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- 1 | Q. And, in fact, not only were they under 18, but they were
- 2 all under 16 at the time; is that correct?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 | Q. Okay. And --
- 5 A. Well, I believe one started when he was there, and it went
- 6 up to, maybe, the age of 17, but --
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. -- yes, in that timeframe.
- 9 Q. But the conduct did take place when the boys were
- 10 respectively -- and I'm going by the John Doe numbers here, 14,
- 11 | 15, 15, 15, and 15?
- 12 A. Yes, sir.
- 13 Q. Okay. So, -- and with respect to John Doe Number 3, he
- 14 also used the text function on his phone to request images from
- 15 that particular victim; is that correct?
- 16 A. Number 3? Yes, sir, I believe so. Yes.
- 17 \parallel Q. Okay. And as a part of the inducement, or grooming
- 18 \parallel process, I should characterize it, the defendant would also
- 19 send pictures of his own genitalia to the -- or masturbation
- 20 \parallel videos to the victims, as a way of getting them to reciprocate;
- 21 is that correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. All right. And as far as the persona of Kayla Stevens, is
- 24 \parallel it also correct that if the victims did not comply and send him
- 25 \parallel what he was asking for, that would have consequences for plans
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- 1 for meetings and for the progression of the relationship; is
- 2 | that right?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And was that a form of psychological manipulation?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Okay. And his -- what was his intention? Once the
- 7 victims made these penis pictures, meaning pictures of their
- 8 erect penises, or took masturbation videos that they produced
- 9 themselves, what was the defendant's intention of what was
- 10 going to be done with those pictures and videos once they were
- 11 made?
- 12 A. Once those were on there, he would state that if you send
- me some, I'll send you some; that we could meet up. If you
- 14 \parallel send me these pictures or these videos and stuff, then we can
- 15 meet up, have a sexual encounter of, you know, different kinds.
- 16 ☐ Things like that, for the subjects that knew him as Kayla
- 17 Stevens. But those never came to fruition.
- 18 \parallel Q. Okay. And, but he clearly contemplated that they would be
- 19 sent to him via and through the Internet, right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And you can do that with Kik and Snapchat, right?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. In fact, when you got the forensic -- when you
- 24 \parallel forensically analyzed the phone, you were able to get chat
- 25 | transcripts that show where pictures are being attached, and
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- 1 videos are being attached, and how it fits into the
- 2 conversation. You know, you see language requesting something,
- 3 | and then language associated with something being sent, right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. So you can actually see the attachment?
- 6 A. Yeah. Yeah. They were -- they were numbered. It would
- 7 show attachment and this conversation, attachment number
- 8 so-and-so. And then you could go into the gallery section of
- 9 the forensics and match up with that number, too. That that
- 10 was the photo that was in the conversation. Then once we did
- 11 | that, then we verified those photos with each victim. Were
- 12 those the photos in the conversation, and were those photos of
- 13 you?
- 14 Q. Okay. So, in each respect, the facility of interstate
- 15 ☐ commerce is the Internet, and the defendant's smartphone, --
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 \parallel Q. -- and he's using his smartphone to access the Internet,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 \blacksquare Q. All right. And to be -- to be clear, there were
- 21 techniques used for persuasion, inducement, enticement, and
- 22 coercion with respect to these victims?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 \parallel Q. And what is your understanding as to where the defendant
- 25 \parallel was located while he was engaging in these chat conversations
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- 1 | with the victims?
- 2 A. They were in the Northern District.
- 3 | Q. Okay.
- 4 A. Of West Virginia.
- 5 Q. His residence, in particular, was where?
- 6 A. It was in Marion County.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 A. I forget the exact address.
- 9 Q. So it's your understanding that he's using his phone at
- 10 that address, primarily, while he's conversing with these kids?
- 11 \blacksquare A. There, and the victims were all in this area, too.
- 12 Q. Okay. All right. And, so, essentially, he was
- 13 persuading, inducing, enticing, and coercing these individuals
- 14 to create and produce these images and videos, which would
- 15 \parallel constitute the offense of sexual exploitation of children, as
- 16 prescribed by Title 18, United States Code, Section 2251(a),
- 17 **|** what we commonly refer to as production of child pornography?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 MR. PERRI: No further questions, Your Honor.
- 20 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Perri.
- 21 Mr. Delligatti, do you have any questions for this
- 22 | witness?
- MR. DELLIGATTI: No, Your Honor.
- 24 THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, do you have any
- 25 questions for this witness?
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THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 1 2 THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, is the evidence that 3 the Government attorney just presented, through its witness, the witness's testimony, is that evidence substantially 4 5 correct? 6 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 7 THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, did the testimony of the Government's witness accurately reflect your involvement in 8 9 what occurred? 10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 11 THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, would you explain to me what you did, in your own words, that makes you quilty of 12 13 enticement of a minor, in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, 14 2422(b), as set forth in the Information. If you'd just wait 15 one second. 16 You may go ahead and have a seat, Lieutenant. 17 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor. 18 THE COURT: Okay. I'm sorry to interrupt, Mr. 19 Crawford. You may go ahead and tell me, in your own words. 20 THE DEFENDANT: I was sending and receiving pictures of minors. 21 22 THE COURT: Did you -- and, as you know, it was 23 detailed in the Government's testimony, you have the 24 Information in front of you, this indicates that you sent -- in 25 Count 1, you -- this is John Doe-1 -- why don't you look at the Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC

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Information with me. But Count 1, John Doe-1, a 14-year-old
boy, and this is about May of 2018. So, first of all, did you
know -- John Doe-1, did you know who that person was?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Did you know that, at the time, that he
was 14 years old?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Okay. And did -- you asked him to send,
via the phone -- was it Snapchat?
          THE WITNESS: Yes, on Number 1; yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Okay.
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: But through these means, to send,
basically, photographs of himself, as described by the officer
in his testimony; did you ask him to do that?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: Did you also exchange pictures of
yourself, as described?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: And is this the boy you knew?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: And this one where -- did you tell him
that if he didn't do so, that you would report him to somebody?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
          THE COURT: His parent, or something like that?
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THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Okay. That happened in Marion County, in
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     the Northern District of West Virginia?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: I mean, these -- what you exchanged, and
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     what the -- the -- the boys exchanged to you, that was -- they
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     were sexually explicit photographs?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, in regard to Count 2, that indicates
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     that this happened on or about November 17th, this John Doe-2,
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     is that someone that you knew?
               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And did you know that he was 15 years
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     old?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And in that exchange, it was a similar
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     exchange; you would send naked photographs of yourself; the
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     young man would -- the young boy would send them to you; is
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     that correct?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: What did you tell the boy if he didn't
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     exchange these photographs would happen?
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               THE DEFENDANT: That I would get him in trouble.
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               THE COURT: Okay. Count 3 -- and that happened in
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    Marion County?
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THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: In the Northern District?
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               Count 3, November, or December 2017, on or about
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     January 2018, identifies John Doe-3 as a 15-year-old boy. Do
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     you know who that boy is?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And did you know him to be 15 years old?
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               THE DEFENDANT:
                               Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Did you, again, exchange sexually
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     explicit photographs with him?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
               THE COURT: He would send photographs of himself to
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     you; you would send them to him?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
               THE COURT: And I know the officer -- the lieutenant
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     described this differently, in this one, did you threaten to
     tell parents, or is this one where you suggested you were --
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     you would meet up with him and have sexual activity?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Meet up, or something. Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: So -- and this meeting was to engage in
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     sexual activity?
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                               Yes, sir.
               THE DEFENDANT:
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               THE COURT: Okay. And you knew that's something,
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     probably, the young boys would be interested in?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, Count 4 indicates that March 18th,
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     I'm sorry, March 2018 to April 2018, Marion County, Northern
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     District of West Virginia, identifies John Doe-4, a 15-year-old
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     boy. Did you know this boy?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Did you know him to be 15?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: How -- how did you know these boys from
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    baseball; were you a coach, or did --
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               THE DEFENDANT: No.
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               THE COURT: -- you just knew them from the
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     neighborhood?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Just know people. Just know a lot of
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    people.
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               THE COURT: Okay. And, so, with this boy, did you
     ask him to send you photographs?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Sexually explicit ones of himself?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And did you send photographs of yourself
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     to him?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
                           They were sexually explicit?
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               THE COURT:
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And in this one, was it told to him that
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     you would -- the two of you would meet up or, was this the one
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     where you, perhaps, said you'd tell his parents?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Meet up.
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               THE COURT: Meet up. Okay. And meeting up, I mean
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     you clearly understood that, and you knew that they understood
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     that, for purposes of sexual activity?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Count 5.
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               MR. PERRI: Your Honor, can I interrupt for just one
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     second --
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               THE COURT:
                           Yes.
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               MR. PERRI: -- on Count 5. I want to thank Mr.
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     Delligatti for being attentive and conscientious, because he
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     noticed something that had not caught my eye. The date for
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     Count 5 says December 2018. It should be December 2017. As
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     the Court knows now, that would be consistent with the
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     lieutenant's testimony --
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               MR. PERRI: -- and with the other counts. It should
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    be 2017.
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               THE COURT:
                           Okay.
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               So, Mr. --
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               Well, let me ask you, the lieutenant. You have Count
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     5, is that correct that the -- that the activity described in
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     Count 5 took place in December 2017?
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THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               And are you moving that the Information be corrected
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     to reflect that, Mr. Perri?
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               MR. PERRI: Yes, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Any objection, Mr. Delligatti?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: No objection, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               So, Mr. Crawford, we're looking at Count 5 now.
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     indicates that this activity took place in December 2017,
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     Marion County, Northern District. It identifies John Doe-5 as
     a 15-year-old boy. Did you know that boy to be 15 years old?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And did you ask him to send you sexually
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     explicit photographs of himself?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And videos?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And did you send sexually explicit
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     photographs of yourself and videos to him?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Did you also say that if he would do so,
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     you all would meet up?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And is that -- was understood to engage
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in sexual activity; is that correct?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Okay. All of these events occurred in
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     Marion County, Northern District of West Virginia; is that
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     correct?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, is there anything else you wanted to
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     add about that, Mr. Crawford?
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               THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.
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               MR. PERRI: Your Honor, will the Court make that
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     correction?
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               THE COURT:
                          I don't...
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                           I am just wondering --
               MR. PERRI:
               THE COURT: Do I have -- have -- the Information,
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     have you filed it? I assume it's been filed, hasn't it, the
     Information?
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               THE CLERK:
                          (Inaudible.)
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               THE COURT: Okay. I think -- unless the clerk tells
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     me otherwise, I think you can make the motion on the record
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     that Count 5 of the Indictment be corrected to reflect that it
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     is in or about December 2017, not 2018. So corrected to 2017.
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     I think the clerk can note, in the minute entry, that you made
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     that motion to correct.
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               MR. PERRI: Thank you, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Delligatti, there's no objection; is
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     that correct?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: No objection; I believe it's proper.
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               THE COURT: Okay. And the Court will -- the Court
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     will grant the motion.
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               That should be sufficient.
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               THE CLERK:
                          (Inaudible.)
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               THE COURT: Okay. I think we'll do it -- it's an
     oral motion on the record. No objection; it's been granted.
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                          Thank you, Your Honor.
               MR. PERRI:
               THE COURT: And I think that should be satisfied.
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               Okay. Mr. Delligatti, are you satisfied if this case
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     went to trial there would be no meritorious legal defense to
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     the charges?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: I am, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Are you satisfied Mr. Crawford's
     constitutional and other rights have been observed fully?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: I am, Your Honor.
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Oh, he was --
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               THE COURT: Oh, no. That's okay. Yeah, I was --
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               THE DEFENDANT: I thought you said, "Mr. Crawford."
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     Sorry.
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               THE COURT: Well, I -- you were listening well, but I
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    was asking Mr. Delligatti --
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               THE DEFENDANT: Okay.
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THE COURT: -- if, in his opinion, that he felt that
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     your -- your rights --
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               THE DEFENDANT: I apologize.
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               THE COURT: -- had -- oh, no. You -- it's good to
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     speak up.
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               So, Mr. Delligatti, are you satisfied that Mr.
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     Crawford's constitutional and other rights have been observed
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     fully?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.
               THE COURT: And, Mr. Delligatti, do you concur in Mr.
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     Crawford's now-stated intention to enter a plea of guilty?
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                                I do, Your Honor.
               MR. DELLIGATTI:
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               THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, I find that there is a
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     sufficient factual basis for your plea of guilty.
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               Now, Mr. Crawford, do you understand that you are
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     pleading guilty to a felony offense, and that if your plea is
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     accepted, you will be adjudged guilty of that felony offense --
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     of that felony offense?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: And, in this case, you are pleading
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     guilty to five separate felony offenses; do you understand
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     that?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, do you understand that such judgment
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     may deprive you of valuable civil rights, such as your right to
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vote; your right to hold public office; your right to serve on a jury; and your right to possess a firearm or a gun of any kind?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

penalties with you -- that you'll face, Mr. Crawford. Do you understand that for each offense, that you expose yourself to a maximum penalty of imprisonment of not less than 10 years?

Again, that's referred to as a mandatory minimum; that you would spend at least 10 years incarcerated, and could be up to life. Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: A fine up to \$250,000, and a term of supervised release of 5 years, or a lifetime; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you understand, also, that part of the sentence that can and would be imposed by the Court is -- this is considered a sex offender offense, so you would be required to register as a sex offender? The Court could require that that be no less than five years, up to a lifetime of registration; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: I think I asked you this, but the mandatory minimum of this instance for Counts 1 through 5 is

not less than 10 years; do you understand that? 1 2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 3 THE COURT: Now, do you also understand that 4 supervised release means that after you are released from 5 incarceration that you will be supervised by the probation 6 office, under conditions that will be set by the Court? 7 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 8 THE COURT: There's also separate supervision for 9 someone who's on -- who's required to register as a sex 10 offender by the state also. 11 Now, do you understand that if you violate the terms of supervised release, the Court can revoke the term of 12 13 supervised release and order you to serve a term in prison? Do 14 you understand that? 15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 16 THE COURT: Do you understand if you also violate the requirements of registration for sex offender, such as where 17 18 you live, where you work, your phone number, what electronic devices you have, that if you violate any of that, those could 19 20 be felonies, and you could be charged? Do you --21 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 22 THE COURT: -- understand that? 2.3 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 24 THE COURT: Now, do you understand you'll be required 25 to pay a special assessment of \$100 for having been convicted Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 304.623.7154

1 of a felony offense? 2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 3 THE COURT: Because there are five counts, that would 4 be a total of \$500; do you understand that? 5 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 6 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, do you understand that 7 you've agreed, as part of your plea, to pay this assessment 8 within 40 days of entry of your plea? Do you understand that? 9 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 10 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, as part of your fine, 11 you could be required to pay the cost of incarceration, and/or the cost of supervision on release; do you understand that? 12 13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 14 THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, it now costs \$2,552 per 15 month for prison; \$326 per month for supervised release; \$2,417 per month for a residential reentry center; do you understand 16 17 that? 18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 19 THE COURT: Now, do you understand that upon release 20 from imprisonment, we discussed that you will be required to 21 register as a sex offender and keep that registration current? 22 Do you understand that? 23 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 24 THE COURT: Do you understand that the forfeiture of 25 certain assets is part of the sentence that may be imposed in Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 304.623.7154 26301

1 this case? 2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 3 THE COURT: What forfeiture means is that the Government had taken certain things from you; they intend to 4 5 keep it. And in this agreement, they have taken from you an 6 iPhone, Model 10, and the Government will not return it to you 7 and they'll keep it as your own property; do you understand 8 that? 9 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 10 THE COURT: Or their property. Do you understand 11 that if you were not a citizen of the United States, that by 12 pleading guilty to a felony charge, you may be subject to 13 deportation at the conclusion of any sentence; that you may be 14 denied future entry into the United States; that you may be 15 denied citizenship if you ever applied for it? Do you 16 understand that? 17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 18 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, this is in your plea 19 agreement, but do understand that the U.S. Sentencing 20 Guidelines play an important role in determining a sentence in 21 your case? 22 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 23 THE COURT: And have you and Mr. Delligatti discussed

THE COURT: And have you and Mr. Delligatti discussed the application of the Guidelines?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, we have.

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THE COURT: Now, I want to show you, and I know Mr. Delligatti has the book in front of you, and he will show you in the back, the cover on the inside, it has what's called a Sentencing Table; do see that? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. The top left-hand corner has the Offense THE COURT: Level I is the lowest, and they go up. The higher the offense level, Mr. Crawford, the greater number of months you're exposed to in sentencing; do you understand that? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: There's also a place for criminal history. And, so, if you look at that, it will say, "Criminal History Category" on the top, left to right. It's I through V. I is the lowest; V is the highest. The higher your criminal history, the greater number of months you're exposed to in sentencing; --THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: -- do you understand that? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: Now, what will happen, Mr. Crawford -and I want to share a few more things with you about how this works -- is that the Court will not be able to determine the applicable advisory guideline sentence for your case until after it receives the presentence investigation report, and you and the Government have had the opportunity to review it, and

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to challenge the facts determined by the probation officer, and the application of the guidelines recommended by the probation officer; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: So they'll come back in the report and say that we believe the -- or based upon the offenses and a number of factors, that your offense level is offense level, say, 33. So if you go look at level 33, if you go to the right of it, you'll see where that says 135 to 168. Do you understand that's the number of months of incarceration? Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: You also understand, though, that the Court is bound -- unless there's some exception, the Court is bound by the statute enacted by Congress, which, then created a mandatory minimum of 10 years; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Now, do you understand that the sentence imposed by the Court may be different from any estimate Mr. Delligatti may have given to you, or what you thought it would be?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: And do you also understand the Court must calculate the applicable advisory sentence guidelines, consider that range, and consider possible departures under the

sentencing guidelines, and other factors?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you understand the Court is not bound by the advisory guideline range, and it does have the authority to impose a sentence that is more severe or less severe than the sentence called for by the Guidelines?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: And do you understand that parole has been abolished in the federal system, and you will not be released on parole if you are sentenced to prison? Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Parole is a state court concept, Mr.

Crawford. So sometimes you'll hear in state court someone is sentenced to one to five years. If they serve one year, they then become eligible for parole, or, sometimes on parole, if you serve half your sentence, you're eligible for parole, which means you're released from prison, but supervised under parole. In the federal system, there is no parole. If the Court sentences you to 15 years, you serve 15 years; you don't get out after 7; do you --

THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

THE COURT: -- understand that? And the only way that time served can be reduced is for goodtime credit, and goodtime credit is controlled by the warden and the staff in

1 the prison; do you understand that? 2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 3 THE COURT: The Court has no say on it whatsoever. Now, do you understand that even if you do not like 4 the sentence imposed by the Court, you will still be bound by 5 6 your plea, and you will have no right to withdraw it? 7 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 8 THE COURT: Do you also understand you have a right 9 to testify at your sentencing hearing, if you so desire? 10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 11 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, do you understand that 12 in your plea agreement, you've agreed to give up your right to 13 appeal your sentence, under many circumstances? 14 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 15 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, everyone found quilty 16 of a crime in federal court in this District has a right to 17 appeal the conviction and sentence to the Fourth Circuit Court 18 of Appeals in Richmond, Virginia. A three-judge panel will then review the conviction and the sentence to see if it was 19 20 done correctly. So do you understand that right of appeal? 21 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 22 Do you also understand, now, under the THE COURT: 23 terms of Paragraph 10 of your plea agreement, that you are 24 giving up, or waiving, your right to appeal whatever sentence

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is imposed for any reason? You also waive your right to appeal

1 the conviction on any ground whatsoever, and on any other 2 statute or constitutional provision. Do you understand that? 3 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 4 THE COURT: So do you understand that you would only 5 have the right to appeal your guilty plea if you believe it was 6 unlawful or involuntary, or there was some other fundamental 7 defect in the proceedings? Do you understand that? 8 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 9 THE COURT: Now, as you sit here now, Mr. Crawford, 10 do you consider your plea -- quilty plea to be lawful? 11 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Do you consider it to be voluntary? 12 13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 14 THE COURT: Do you know of any fundamental defects in 15 these proceedings, so far? 16 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 17 THE COURT: Now, do you also understand everyone has 18 the right to challenge the conviction, or the sentence, or the 19 manner in which it was determined in a post-conviction 20 proceeding, sometimes called a habeas corpus petition or collateral attack, under Title 28, U.S. Code, 2255? Do 21 22 understand that? 23 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 24 THE COURT: Do you understand that under the terms of 25 Paragraph 10 of your plea agreement, that you have waived your Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 304.623.7154

right, or given up your right, to challenge the conviction, which is within the maximum provided in the statute, or the sentence, or the manner in which it was determined in any post-conviction proceeding, including a habeas corpus petition, or a collateral attack? And those are simply other legal means you're given to challenge your sentence, or the conviction; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Now, do you understand, then, that your only legal remedies on appeal or collateral attack are for claims of ineffective assistance of counsel, which has to do with the conduct of your own lawyer?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

THE COURT: Or prosecutorial misconduct, which would have to do with the conduct of the U.S. Attorney's Office; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

THE COURT: As you sit here today, Mr. Crawford, do you know of any evidence that would suggest, in any way, that Mr. Delligatti has been ineffective in representing you?

THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

THE COURT: And, Mr. Crawford, as you sit here today, do you know of any evidence that would suggest in any way that Mr. Perri, or anyone else in the U.S. Attorney's Office, do you know of any evidence to suggest that they have been guilty of

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     prosecutorial misconduct?
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               THE DEFENDANT: No. No, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, have you discussed the waiver of
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     these important appellate rights with your lawyer?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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                          Having done so, do you still wish to
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     waive those rights?
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               THE DEFENDANT:
                               Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Delligatti, do you believe Mr.
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     Crawford fully understands the importance of the rights he's
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     waiving?
               MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, I do, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Now, Mr. Crawford, do you understand,
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     with few exceptions, any notice of appeal must be filed within
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     14 days of judgment being entered in your case?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, I find that you understand
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     the nature of the charge, consequences of a guilty plea, and
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     the important appellate rights that you're waiving.
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               Now, Mr. Crawford, I want to go over some
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     constitutional rights with you. Do understand that you do have
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     the right to continue to plead not guilty to the charge?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Do you understand that by pleading
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     guilty, you give up your right to a speedy and public trial by
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1 jury? 2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 3 THE COURT: Do you understand that by pleading 4 quilty, you give up your right to force the Government to come 5 forward with witnesses and evidence against you? Do you 6 understand that? 7 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 8 THE COURT: Do you understand that you would have 9 been presumed innocent until the Government presented enough 10 evidence to convince a judge and the jury of your quilt beyond 11 a reasonable doubt? Do you understand that? 12 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 13 THE COURT: Do you understand that when you admit 14 your quilt, such as you've done here today, that you relieve 15 the Government of the burden of proving your quilt? 16 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: Now, do you understand that you have the 17 18 right to the assistance of counsel at trial? Do you understand 19 that? 20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 21 THE COURT: Do you understand that if you could not 22 afford an attorney, that the Court would appoint an attorney to 23 represent you, and has appointed to -- attorney to represent 24 you? Do you understand that? 25 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC

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THE COURT: Do you also understand that by pleading 1 2 guilty, you give up that right? 3 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 4 THE COURT: Do you understand that -- I think I might 5 have missed a question. So do you understand that you and your 6 attorney who represents you, Mr. Delligatti, would have the 7 right to confront and cross-examine your accusers and witnesses 8 who are called by the Government, to test the truth of what 9 they said? 10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 11 THE COURT: So, do you understand when you plead 12 guilty, you give up the right to do that? 13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 14 THE COURT: Do you understand that had you desired to 15 go to trial and call witnesses, that you would have been 16 entitled to the services of the U.S. Marshal to bring witnesses 17 to court under proceeding? 18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 19 THE COURT: Do you understand that? 20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 21 THE COURT: Do you understand that by pleading 22 guilty, you give up the right to call witnesses, except at your 2.3 sentencing? 24 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 25 THE COURT: Do you understand that you would have had Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 304.623.7154

1 the right to move to suppress, or keep away from the jury's 2 hearing and consideration, any evidence, of any nature, that 3 had been illegally or unlawfully obtained? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 4 5 THE COURT: Now, do you understand that had you 6 desired to go to trial, that you would have had the right to 7 testify at trial? 8 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 9 THE COURT: However, do you understand that you 10 cannot be compelled or forced to testify? Do you understand 11 that? 12 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 13 THE COURT: Do you understand that you have a 14 constitutional right to go to trial and remain silent? Do you understand that? 15 16 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 17 THE COURT: That means not to take the witness stand, not to call any witnesses, or not to present any evidence 18 whatsoever on your own behalf; do you understand that? 19 20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 21 THE COURT: And do you understand that the Court 22 would have instructed and told the jury that they could not 23 convict you because of the exercise of your constitutional 24 right to remain silent? 25 Yes, sir. THE DEFENDANT:

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THE COURT: But only based upon an offer of proof of 1 2 your guilt from the Government; do you understand that? 3 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 4 THE COURT: Do you understand that you give up the 5 right to a unanimous verdict from a jury when you plead guilty? 6 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 7 THE COURT: Now, Mr. Delligatti, do you believe that 8 Mr. Crawford understands the consequences of his guilty plea, 9 and the significant constitutional rights he gives up by doing 10 so? 11 MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, Your Honor. THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, I find you understand the 12 13 constitutional and other rights that you are giving up by 14 pleading guilty. 15 Now, knowing all of these things, Mr. Crawford, do you still wish to plead guilty at this time? 16 17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 18 THE COURT: Now, has any person forced you, Mr. 19 Crawford, threatened you, coerced you, intimidated you, or 20 talked you into entering a guilty plea against your will? 21 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 22 THE COURT: Are you acting voluntarily, and of your 23 own free will, in entering this guilty plea? 24 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 25 THE COURT: Are you pleading guilty because you are Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC P.O. Box 969 Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301 304.623.7154

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     quilty of the crime charged in Counts 1 through 5 of the
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     Information, that being enticement of a minor?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, has anyone promised you or
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     told you something that is different from what I've told you
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     today to get you to plead guilty?
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               THE DEFENDANT:
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               THE COURT:
                           And have any promises been made to you,
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     other than the promises in the written plea agreement?
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               THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.
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               THE COURT:
                           Are you pleading to protect anyone?
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               THE COURT: Has anyone promised or predicted the
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     exact sentence which will be imposed on you in this matter?
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               THE COURT: Do you understand that, at this time, no
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     one could know the exact sentence which will be imposed?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Are you able -- now, have you been able
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     to fully understand what is going on in these proceedings
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     today?
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               THE DEFENDANT:
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                           If you had any questions, Mr. Crawford,
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     did you feel comfortable to ask those questions?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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THE COURT: Mr. Crawford, I find, then, that your guilty plea is voluntary.

Now, at this time Mr. Crawford, do you have any questions or second thoughts about entering a plea of guilty?

THE DEFENDANT: No, sir, I do not.

THE COURT: If you would stand. Now, Mr. Crawford, how do you plead to Counts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Information, all with which charge you with enticement of a minor; do you plead guilty or not guilty?

THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.

THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Crawford. You may be seated.

In the United States of America versus Quionte
Crawford, I find that Mr. Crawford is fully competent and
capable of entering into an informed plea; that there's a
sufficient factual basis for the plea of -- pleas of guilty;
that he understands the nature of the charge and the
consequences of a guilty plea to these charges; and that he
understands the constitutional and other legal rights that he's
giving up because of this plea; and that his guilty plea is
voluntary. And while I defer accepting the terms of the plea
agreement and adjudging Mr. Crawford guilty to the sentencing
Court, Judge Kleeh, I do accept his plea of guilty to Counts 1
through 5 of the Information.

Now, Mr. Crawford, the sentencing court must consider

the following factors when determining the sentence that you will receive: One, the nature and circumstances of the offense; two, your history and characteristics; three, the necessity of punishing you, deterring you, protecting the public from you, or providing you with training, medical care, or other treatment; four, the kinds of sentences and the sentencing range established by the sentencing guidelines; five, the need to give defendants with similar criminal records similar sentences; and, six, the need to provide restitution to any victims of the offense. So do you understand those factors the Court will consider?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes. Yes, sir.

Mr. Crawford, in order to help the Court consider these factors, the probation office is required to conduct a presentence investigation of you, and submit a report to the sentencing court. Now, the information in this report might have an impact on the sentence that you ultimately receive. Therefore, you may want to discuss with your lawyer what options are best for you in this process.

Have you all talked about when you will meet with probation, Mr. Delligatti?

MR. DELLIGATTI: Yes, Your Honor. I've had e-mails going back and forth with Ms. Scolapio. I believe that the last e-mail, we're going to probably schedule in a couple weeks because --

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. DELLIGATTI: -- she's going to want to address conditions of release, location monitoring services today.

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. DELLIGATTI: But I haven't been able to call her today because I've been in court for --

THE COURT: I understand. Okay.

Well, I'll talk to you about that in a minute, Mr. Crawford. Now, Mr. Crawford, you must not commit any crimes between now and sentencing, because there are additional punishments that may be imposed for committing additional crimes. And do you understand that if there's any attempt to make conduct similar to what you've done in the Information, it's another crime, and it will be sep- -- punished separately? You understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Now, pursuant to 6A1 of the United States Sentencing Guidelines, I order the probation office to conduct a presentence investigation of Mr. Crawford; prepare a draft presentence investigation report, and disclose its contents to the Government and to Mr. Crawford. Further direct the probation officer and all parties comply with the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure 32, U.S. Sentencing Guidelines 6A1.2, regarding deadlines for disclosure, objection, and departure of sentencing statement requirements.

Now, the sentencing court will set this matter for sentencing, Mr. Crawford. And when it does so, it will notify your attorney, Mr. Delligatti, as well as the Government. And he'll notify you when that's to take place. It will be in this building on the second floor of the courthouse.

THE DEFENDANT: Okay. Thank you.

THE COURT: Now, Mr. Delligatti, Mr. Perri, if you do anticipate a lengthy sentencing hearing, please notify the Court so that an adequate amount of time can be scheduled for it.

Now, what's -- what will happen, Mr. Crawford, is that -- Mr. Delligatti, has kind of touched on this, but the probation office is going to start the process of a presentence investigation. That includes talking to you, taking certain background information. It also includes talking to the Government, and the evidence that they have, what happened. And the plea agreement permits the Government to disclose all that information.

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: They will also look at your history, certain situations. When they do all that, they'll submit a presentence investigation report. You'll get it, go it over with your attorney; the Government will get it. You have a time period -- and the lawyers know what this -- to object to that report if you think its wrong, or if you think something

should be added or corrected. You have to do that within a time period. The Government has a right to do so, too. It doesn't mean the Court is going to agree with what you have to say, or the Government has to say. The Court will always make its own decision, but if you want them to take something into consideration, you need to bring it to their attention, and your lawyer will know how to do that.

Now, I understand the Government has not made a motion to detain; is that correct Mr. Perri?

MR. PERRI: That's correct, Your Honor. The defendant has been cooperative, and we have not been made aware of any concerns or problems with him --

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. PERRI: -- during the -- during the period of time that he -- since these matters came to light, and during the period of time that we were negotiating the Information and the plea. So we're not moving for detention, and we anticipate that he will continue to be on good behavior. If, for whatever reason, that changes -- and that I'm sure Mr. Delligatti will not be surprised to hear me say this -- if we become aware of any problems, we will immediately bring the matter of detention back before the Court.

THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

Well, now, Mr. Crawford, in federal court, when we release someone on bond, you do not have to get a bail

bondsman; you don't have to pay money; you don't have to put up property. We'll release you that -- on bond. And what bond is, is an order of this Court setting conditions of release. So I'm going to release you subject to the following conditions. Now, I'm going to go over these with you. It may seem like a lot. You're welcome to ask questions when I'm done, but I will tell you that you will -- you'll be required to sign them. You will be -- I'll also sign them. You'll then meet with probation after this hearing today. They will go over it with you, and you will need to sign it.

So -- but what I want to say and emphasize is that what Mr. Perri said, if you violate any condition of these release -- this release I go over with you, your bond can be revoked, and then you would remain incarcerated pending sentencing; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

any federal, state, or local law while on release. You must cooperate in the collection of a DNA sample, if it is authorized. You must advise your probation officer -- and you're going to meet that person today -- in writing in advance before you change your -- any change of residence, or telephone number. You cannot move or change your number without the approval in advance of probation; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

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THE COURT: If they go to your home that you've given to them, and they say, he moved two weeks ago, your bond will be revoked, and they'll find you, arrest you, and you will be incarcerated; do you understand? THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: You -- really I have on there -- there'll really be no further hearings for you, as long as you're compliant, other than your sentencing hearing. THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. THE COURT: And Mr. Delligatti will let you know when that is. You are to report to the probation office today, and I put by 4:00 o'clock on June 20th, that's Thursday. Delligatti will -- Mr. Delligatti will tell you where that is. This is 500 West Pike Street, Mr. Crawford. Probation is located at 320 West Pike Street. THE DEFENDANT: Okay. THE COURT: So it's a block and a half up the road. Derek Hotsinpiller Building. They'll direct you to where it is, but it's an easy walk from here, but you need to report there today --THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: -- after we're done. And if you don't report, you've already violated your bond; you'll be arrested as soon as they can find you. You understand?

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THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: Now, again, the Government has indicated
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     that since they brought this to your attention, and your
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     attorney, you've been compliant; you haven't violated any law,
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     that they're aware of, and that's why they're not asking that
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     you be detained. Are you working, --
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               THE DEFENDANT: No, I --
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               THE COURT: -- Mr. Crawford?
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               THE DEFENDANT: -- got laid off from the oil field.
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     I was on unemployment for a little bit.
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               THE DEFENDANT: I'm in the process of -- soon
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     unemployment will be ending. I will be looking for new --
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               THE COURT: Okay. Well, I'm just going to order that
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     you continue, or actively seek employment. That you are
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     restricted to the following, in terms of where you live.
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               THE DEFENDANT: I've lived there for almost two
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     years.
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               THE COURT: Okay. Lived in Fairmont?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Well, I've lived in Fairmont for a
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     long time, but where I'm living at now, I've been there two
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     years.
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               THE COURT: In Fairmont?
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yeah.
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               THE COURT: Okay. Your residence, the travel, is
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going to be restricted to the Northern District of West

Virginia. What that means is the Northern District is the top
half of the state. It certainly includes Marion County, the
counties surrounding it. You cannot go into the Southern

District of West Virginia. They'll show you a map where it is.

Charleston is the Southern District.

THE DEFENDANT: Okay.

THE COURT: Huntington, Beckley.

THE DEFENDANT: I don't go to them places, anyway.

THE COURT: Yeah, but they'll show you where it is.

Cannot leave the state, at all.

THE DEFENDANT: Okay.

THE COURT: If you leave the district or the state, your bond will be revoked.

You're to avoid contact, directly or indirectly, with any victims, witness in this investigation, or prosecution, including anyone named in the Indictment. There is a reason why the boys named in the Indictment are -- are -- their names are not listed. They're juveniles; out of respect for their privacy, to minimize their embarrassment. In addition, but it's clear from the testimony, and your testimony, that you know who these boys are. You can have no contact with them, whatsoever. Any kind of contact, regardless of how innocent, perceived by you, will violate your bond; do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 1 2 If you're walking down the sidewalk, and THE COURT: 3 they're walking down one side, you just lower your head, cross 4 the street, and go the other way; you understand? 5 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 6 THE COURT: No contact whatsoever. If anyone tries 7 to get a hold of you, Facebook, Snapchat in any way, you don't 8 respond; give it to your attorney. 9 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 10 THE COURT: Now, you are -- and there's going to be 11 restrictions, quite frankly, on your access to the Internet. The restriction is you'll have none. 12 13 You are not to possess a firearm, destructive device, 14 or other weapon. Do you have a gun? 15 THE DEFENDANT: I used to; I don't anymore. And there's none in the home, right? 16 THE COURT: 17 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. 18 THE COURT: If you have one, or it's in your home, 19 it's a violation of your bond. 20 THE DEFENDANT: Okay. 21 THE COURT: Not to consume alcohol; you're not to 22 unlawfully possess drugs. You're to submit to drug testing. 23 Probation will determine how much they test you. I haven't 24 heard of any allegations of your struggling with substance 2.5 abuse, but -- so they may just test you periodically. But if Stacy Harlow, RVR-M, CVR-M, CM, RCP, RBC

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you miss a drug testing, if you test positive, if you try to 1 2 interfere with the testing, that's a violation of your bond, 3 and it can be revoked. 4 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 5 THE COURT: You are to participate in a program of 6 inpatient or outpatient therapy, if probation thinks it's 7 helpful to you. If they tell you they want you to go to 8 treatment, you have to; and if you don't, that's a violation; 9 you understand that? 10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. 11 THE COURT: You are to report as soon as possible, 12 any contact with law enforcement, whether it's arrest, 13 questioning, or traffic stops. Innocent as it may be, you're 14 going home, taillight is out, they pull you over. You have to 15 report that to probation immediately. 16 THE DEFENDANT: Okay. 17 THE COURT: You understand that? 18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir. 19 THE COURT: Your name is now on a list. They're 20 going to pull you over, they're going to see your name, and 21 they're going to report it to probation, because you were 22 pulled over. So --23 THE DEFENDANT: Right. 24 THE COURT: -- you better tell probation before they 25 hear.

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You're not to purchase, possess, or use any drug
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synthetic intoxicants. Are you on any prescription medication,
Mr. Crawford?
          THE DEFENDANT: Just insulin. That's it.
          THE COURT: Okay. You a diabetic?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
          THE COURT: So do you take it by a shot, or by a
pill?
          THE DEFENDANT: In a syringe.
          THE COURT:
                     Okay.
          THE DEFENDANT: So I have needles in my home, if
that's okay.
          THE COURT: Okay. Well, disclose that to your
probation officer. If you have a prescription, they need to
see that and understand that, because, I mean, what do you
think when probation comes in the home --
          THE DEFENDANT: Right.
          THE COURT: -- with needles?
          THE DEFENDANT: Right.
                     So you need to -- you need to disclose
          THE COURT:
              And I assume you have a prescription for it --
that to them.
          THE DEFENDANT: Oh, yeah.
          THE COURT: -- right?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes.
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THE COURT: You are prohibited from possessing
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     vicious animals.
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               THE DEFENDANT: I got a Great Dane.
               THE COURT: Big, but I don't think --
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               THE DEFENDANT: She's not vicious.
               THE COURT: Okay. Well, talk -- they're -- just talk
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     to your probation officer.
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               THE DEFENDANT: Okay.
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               THE COURT: I -- the point is, is that -- and when
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     I -- we've had probation officers attacked, literally, by dogs
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     jumping up grabbing their arms, and causing scars, stitches
     when they go to visit someone's home. And they can come to
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     your home unannounced.
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               THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
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               THE COURT: So you can tell them about the dog.
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     That's their decision. If, for some reason, it creates a
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     problem, then you would need to find another home for it.
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               THE DEFENDANT: Okay.
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               THE COURT: But hopefully it won't.
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               You're to participate in mental health counseling, if
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     your probation thinks it's helpful.
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               Now, in addition to these, there are also additional
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     terms in a child pornography case, and they are as follows:
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     You shall not possess or use a computer or other electronic
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     device, including, but not limited, to a cell phone with
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Internet capabilities, capable of being connected to the Internet. You've -- just revoked someone the other day who, because they went into his home, they found an iPad, laptop, phone, and they got on it, and there he was, looking at pornography. Let me make it clear, you -- there's -- adult pornography would be a violation of this. Whatever is considered illegal would be a violation. You're not to be looking at anything. You're not to have those devices, considering the crime that you're charged with.

Now, -- and you may be able to answer this, Mr.

Perri, I do think there are phones out there without Internet capability, although I don't -- you need to talk to probation about that.

THE DEFENDANT: Okay.

THE COURT: I mean, especially in this case. All your crimes were charged with the use of a phone. They can pick up and look at those things at any time. You go in there today and they want to look at your phone, you say, yes, ma'am, yes, sir, and you hand it over to them.

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Do you understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: And if there's anything on it, you're going to be revoked. You shall not connect to the Internet for any purpose, any purpose. You're not to aide or assist another

to connect to the Internet.

You are not to possess, use a telephone which is capable of taking, storing, or sharing digital images. You're not to possess any sexually explicit movies. This can be of adults, videos, CDs, magazines, nor shall you possess any device which stores digital images, but not limited to the digital images of sexually explicit activities.

You shall have no contact whatsoever with any child under the age of 18. You shall not visit any school or public facility where contact with a child under the age of 18 may occur. There was some talk about baseball. I am going to tell you, Mr. Crawford, if parents call up and say they saw you at the baseball field, you're going to be revoked.

THE DEFENDANT: Okay.

THE COURT: You just got to stay away. You understand that?

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: I don't -- it doesn't matter to me how innocent you think it is. You just need to stay away.

THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: You are not to have any -- you're to comply with all applicable federal and state sex offender registration requirements, and update the same. You can talk to your probation officer about that, because there are state and federal. You are not to associate with any person who is

known to you to view pictures of child pornography, sexually explicit and provocative acts of persons under the age of 18.

You shall not view any sexually explicit movies, videos, CDs, magazines, nor shall you possess any device which stores or is capable of permitting or viewing these digital images, not limited to additional images of sexually explicit activities.

You shall consent -- that's part of these conditions
-- to a search of your residence, motor vehicle, storage
facility, located on the same property as your residence, by
your probation officer, for the purpose of determining whether
you're in compliance with this order. You shall consent to
your -- for your probation officer to view, on the premises, or
remove any item for viewing, off the premises, which is
suspected of being possessed in violation of the order setting
conditions of release. Again, it's a phone, iPad, any kind of
electronical device.

You are to surrender to your probation officer anything which the officer determines is being possessed by you in violation of the order. Do you have any questions about anything we've talked about Mr. Crawford?

THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.

THE COURT: You know, know that's a lot. I'm going to go ahead and sign an order now that will release you on conditions of release. We're going to give it you, and the clerk will make a copy of it and return it to you.

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Now what's -- let's just go ahead and get that done
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the Marshals behind you -- the Marshal is going to -- he's
going to take you downstairs, Mr. Crawford.
          THE DEFENDANT: Okay.
          THE COURT: They'll fingerprint you, and process you.
          It shouldn't take what, usually, 15 minutes, a half
an hour, at the most?
          UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah, 15, 20 minutes.
          THE COURT: Okay.
          Now, when you're done, Mr. Crawford, --
          You going to go down with him, Mr. Delligatti, or
maybe -- you're not able to? If not, that's okay. It depends.
          MR. DELLIGATTI: I may be able to. I have to get
back to Fairmont by 4:00.
          THE COURT: That's fine.
          So, anyway, as soon as you're done there, you go
directly to probation.
          THE DEFENDANT:
                         Okay.
          THE COURT: Do you understand that?
          THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.
                     Okay. You have -- you have any questions
          THE COURT:
about anything we've done here today, Mr. Crawford?
          THE DEFENDANT: No, sir.
          THE COURT: Okay.
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Do you have anything else for the Court's
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     consideration, Mr. Perri?
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                                 Thank you, Your Honor.
               MR. PERRI:
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               THE COURT: Do you have anything, Mr. Delligatti?
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               MR. DELLIGATTI: Nothing, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: Nothing further, we'll be adjourned.
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